

## CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Friday, August 3, 2001

### HOUSE

*The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 5, 2001, at 2:00 p.m.*

#### Remarks:

Human Cloning Prohibition Act Of 2001.

Jackson-Lee

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Introduction Of The Accidental Shooting Prevention Act.

Langevin

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Introducing The Election Weekend Act Of 2001.

Hastings

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#### **Judge James R. Browning Courthouse.**

*"... As the head of the largest circuit court in the country, Judge Browning acted as a tireless and effective advocate for maintaining the unity of the Ninth Circuit. An extraordinary administrator, he implemented numerous innovations that reshaped the structures and procedures of the circuit. Many of his ideas were subsequently adopted in other circuits. He also emphasized the importance of collegiality and civility among the judges and the Ninth Circuit bar. He was instrumental in establishing the Western Justice Center Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the legal system by encouraging collaborative work and research..."*

Pelosi

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### SENATE

#### Measures Introduced:

**S. 1351.** *A bill to provide administrative subpoena authority to apprehend fugitives; to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

*"...This bill contains procedures for people to challenge the subpoena that they receive and have a judge review whether it should be issued. Judicial review is required in any case where the person requests it. The subpoena authority has no impact on the Fourth Amendment and its general prohibition on searches and seizures without a court-approved warrant..."*

Thurmond

Pages S 8910, S 8915-17

**S. 1355.** A bill to prevent children from having access to firearms; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Durbin

Pages S 8910, S 8917-18

**S. 1357.** A bill to provide for an examination of how schools are implementing the policy guidance of the Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights relating to sexual harassment directed against gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender students; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Wellstone

Pages S 8910, S 8922-3

#### Measures Introduced:

**S. 1364.** A bill to ensure full and expeditious enforcement of the provisions of the Communications Act of 1934 that seek to bring about the competition in local telecommunications markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Hollings

*Pages S 8910, S 8933-9*

**S. 1369.** *A bill to provide that Federal employees may retain for personal use promotional items received as a result of travel taken in the course of employment; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.*

Warner

*Pages S 8911, S 8941-2*

**S. 1370.** *A bill to reform the health care liability system; to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

McConnell

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**S. 1371.** A bill to *combat money laundering and protect the United States financial system* by strengthening safeguards in private banking and correspondent banking, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Levin

*Pages S 8911, S 8942-9*

**S. 1373.** A bill to protect the right to life of each born and preborn human person in existence at fertilization; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Smith

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**S. 1377.** A bill to *require the Attorney General to establish an office* in the Department of Justice to monitor acts of inter-national terrorism alleged to have been committed by Palestinian individuals or individuals acting on behalf of Palestinian organizations and to carry out certain other related activities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Smith

*Pages S 8911, S 8950-1*

**S. 1378.** A bill to allow patients access to drugs and medical devices recommended and provided by health care practitioners under strict guidelines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health , Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Daschle

*Pages S 8911, S 8951-2*

**S. 1382.** A bill to amend title 11, District of Columbia Code, to redesignate the Family Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia as the Family Court of the Superior Court, to recruit and retain trained and experienced judges to serve in the Family Court, to promote consistency and efficiency in the assignment of judges to the Family Court and in the consideration of actions and proceedings in the Family Court, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

DeWine

*Pages S 8911, S 8953-8*

**S. 1388.** A bill to make election day a Federal holiday; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Landrieu

*Pages S 8911, S 8963*

#### **Measures Passed:**

**Adjournment Resolution:** Senate agreed to **H. Con. Res. 208**, *providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.*

**Thurgood Marshall U.S. Courthouse:** *Senate passed S. 584, to designate the United States courthouse located at 40 Centre Street in New York, New York, as the “Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse.”*

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**Edward N. Cahn Federal Building/U.S. Courthouse:** *Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 558, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 504 West Hamilton Street in Allentown, Pennsylvania, as the “Edward N. Cahn Federal Building and United States Courthouse,” and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.*

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**Thurgood Marshall U.S. Courthouse:** *Senate passed H.R. 988, to designate the United States courthouse located at 40 Centre Street in New York, New York, as the “Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse,” clearing the measure for the President.*

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**Federal Firefighters Retirement Age Fairness Act:** *Senate passed H.R. 93, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that the mandatory separation age for Federal firefighters be made the same as the age that applies with respect to Federal law enforcement officers, clearing the measure for the President.*

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**Brown v. Board of Education Anniversary:** *Senate passed H.R. 2133, to establish a commission for the purpose of encouraging and providing for the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision in Brown v. Board of Education, after agreeing to committee amendments.*

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**Brown v. Board of Education Anniversary:** *Senate passed S. 1046, to establish a commission for the purpose of encouraging and providing for the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision in Brown v. Board of Education, after agreeing to committee amendments.*

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#### **Nominations Confirmed:**

##### **Senate confirmed the following nominations:**

*Lynn Leibovitz, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.*

*Janet Rehnquist, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services. (Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration)*

*Daniel R. Levinson, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, General Services Administration.*

*Robert D. McCallum, Jr., of Georgia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice David W. Ogden, resigned.*

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#### **Nominations Received:**

##### **Senate received the following nominations:**

*Margaret M. Chiara, of Michigan, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Michigan for the term of four years.*

*Robert J. Conrad, Jr., of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of North*

*Carolina* for the term of four years.

*James Ming Greenlee*, of Mississippi, to be *United States Attorney for the Northern District of Mississippi* for the term of four years.

*Terrell Lee Harris*, of Tennessee, to be *United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee* for the term of four years.

*Stephen Beville Pence*, of Kentucky, to be *United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky* for the term of four years.

*Gregory F. Van Tatenhove*, of Kentucky, to be *United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky* for the term of four years.

*Thomas B. Heffelfinger*, of Minnesota, to be *United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota* for the term of four years.

*Patrick Leo Meehan*, of Pennsylvania, to be *United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania* for the term of four years.

*Jay S. Bybee*, of Nevada, to be an *Assistant Attorney General*.

*Scott M. Burns*, of Utah, to be *Deputy Director for State and Local Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy*. (New Position)

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**Remarks:**

Guns And Teen Suicide.

Levin

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**Protecting Against Wrongful Convictions.**

*"...In addition to increasing access to DNA testing, we must look at other ways to improve the administration of justice in our system. The Justice Project, a national non-profit organization focusing on identifying and solving issues of fairness in our judicial system, reports that since 1973, 95 people have been exonerated and released from death row. Of those 95 wrongful convictions, only 10 were discovered as a result of DNA testing. Thus, while access to DNA evidence is one new, important component that we must pursue to protect against wrongful convictions, it cannot be the only avenue we pursue..."*

Warner

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**Next SENATE MEETING: Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., September 4, 2001.**

**Next HOUSE MEETING: Wednesday, 2:00 p.m., September 5, 2001.**

**OLA: S. Schwarz (Smith), J. Homanich**

**Unanimous Consent Request—Executive Calendar:**

**The following nominations were returned to the White House because the Senate did not agree to leave the nominations in "Status Quo" under rule 31, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate:**

***Terrence L. O'Brien***, of Wyoming, to be **United States Circuit Judge** for the Tenth Circuit, vice Wade Brorby, retired.

***Jeffrey R. Howard***, of New Hampshire, to be **United States Circuit Judge** for the First Circuit, vice

Norman H. Stahl, retired.

**M. Christina Armijo**, of New Mexico, to be **United States District Judge** for the District of New Mexico, vice a new position created by Public Law 106-553, approved December 21, 2000.

**Karon O. Bowdre**, of Alabama, to be **United States District Judge** for the Northern District of Alabama, vice Sam C. Pointer, Jr., retired.

**David L. Bunning**, of Kentucky, to be **United States District Judge** for the Eastern District of Kentucky, vice William O. Bertelsman, retired.

**Karen K. Caldwell**, of Kentucky, to be **United States District Judge** for the Eastern District of Kentucky, vice Henry R. Wilhoit, Jr., retired.

**Claire V. Eagan**, of Oklahoma, to be **United States District Judge** for the Northern District of Oklahoma, vice Thomas Rutherford Brett, retired.

**Kurt D. Engelhardt**, of Louisiana, to be **United States District Judge** for the Eastern District of Louisiana, vice Morey L. Sear, retired.

**Stephen P. Friot**, of Oklahoma, to be **United States District Judge** for the Western District of Oklahoma, vice Wayne E. Alley, retired.

**Callie V. Granade**, of Alabama, to be **United States District Judge** for the Southern District of Alabama, vice Alex T. Howard, Jr., retired.

**Joe L. Heaton**, of Oklahoma, to be **United States District Judge** for the Western District of Oklahoma, vice Ralph G. Thompson, retired.

**Larry R. Hicks**, of Nevada, to be **United States District Judge** for the District of Nevada, vice Johnnie B. Rawlinson, elevated.

**William P. Johnson**, of New Mexico, to be **United States District Judge** for the District of New Mexico, vice John E. Conway, retired.

**James H. Payne**, of Oklahoma, to be **United States District Judge** for the Northern, Eastern and Western Districts of Oklahoma, vice Billy Michael Burrage, resigned.

**Danny C. Reeves**, of Kentucky, to be **United States District Judge** for the Eastern District of Kentucky, vice a new position created by Public Law 106-553, approved December 21, 2000.

*Lawrence J. Block*, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the *United States Court of Federal Claims* for a term of fifteen years.

*Roscoe Conklin Howard, Jr.*, of the District of Columbia, to be *United States Attorney for the District of Columbia* for the term of four years.

*David Claudio Iglesias*, of New Mexico, to be *United States Attorney for the District of New Mexico* for the term of four years.

*Matthew Hansen Mead*, of Wyoming, to be *United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming* for the term of four years.

*Michael J. Sullivan*, of Massachusetts, to be *United States Attorney for the District of Massachusetts* for the term of four years.

*Drew Howard Wrigley*, of North Dakota, to be *United States Attorney for the District of North Dakota* for the term of four years.

*Colm F. Connolly*, of Delaware, to be *United States Attorney for the District of Delaware* for the term of four years.

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#### **Unanimous Consent Request—Executive Calendar (Cont'd.):**

*Susan W. Brooks*, of Indiana, to be *United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana* for the term of four years.

*Leura Garrett Canary*, of Alabama, to be *United States Attorney for the Middle District of Alabama* for the term of four years.

*Thomas C. Gean*, of Arkansas, to be *United States Attorney for the Western District of Arkansas* for the term of four years.

*Raymond W. Gruender*, of Missouri, to be *United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri* for the term of four years.

*Joseph S. Van Bokkelen*, of Indiana, to be *United States Attorney for the Northern District of Indiana* for the term of four years.

*Charles W. Larson, Sr.*, of Iowa, to be *United States Attorney for the Northern District of Iowa* for the term of four years.

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